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TOP NEWS

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Amid criticism from both within their party and across the aisle, Republican leaders defended their plans to repeal the Affordable Care Act Tuesday, a day after revealing a plan backed by President Donald Trump.

Trump Taps Ex-Jones Day Partner For Solicitor General Post

President Donald Trump on Tuesday announced his intent to nominate Noel Francisco, until recently a Jones Day partner and currently the acting solicitor general, to serve as the next U.S. solicitor general, confirming rumors that have swirled for weeks about his possible appointment.

Kirkland Attorneys Land White House Legal Posts

Several former Kirkland & Ellis LLP attorneys nabbed legal jobs in President Donald Trump's administration as the White House on Tuesday officially announced the latest batch of additions to the president's counsel office.

DAG Hopeful Resists Queries On Trump-Russia Investigator

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Goodwin
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Haynes and Boone
Hogan Lovells

The nominee for U.S. deputy attorney general, Rod Rosenstein, resisted calls to commit to assigning a special prosecutor to look into the Trump administration's contacts with Russian officials, saying at his confirmation hearing Tuesday that he will think about it once on the job.

Analysis

3 Employer Takeaways From The ACA Repeal Proposal

Congressional Republicans on Monday unveiled their long-awaited plan to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act, a proposal that would change the legal landscape for large businesses by scrapping the requirement to provide health coverage to employees or face penalties. Here, experts identify three takeaways for employers from the proposed worker health care overhaul.

Dems Blast Gorsuch's Record On Workers, Disability Rights

Senate Democrats on Tuesday pounced on Judge Neil Gorsuch's decision in a disability rights case involving a cancer-stricken college professor to paint the judge as an "ultraconservative" unfit for the Supreme Court, trying to foment opposition to his nomination ahead of confirmation hearings taking place later this month.

Analysis

House Bill Could Inject Med Mal Reforms Into ACA Fight

A federal bill to cap noneconomic damages in medical malpractice cases would be a game changer, but its passage faces obstacles that make success unlikely, according to experts, some of whom say the bill's true purpose is for inclusion in the broader package to repeal the Affordable Care Act.

Hawaii Becomes 1st State To Challenge New Immigration Ban

The state of Hawaii, aided by a litigation team from Hogan Lovells, appears to be the first state

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to challenge President Donald Trump's revised executive order banning people from six Muslim-majority countries from entering the United States, telling a Hawaii federal court it plans to file a temporary restraining order along with an updated complaint.

Congress Passes NASA Reform, Reauthorization Bill

Congress passed a reform and reauthorization bill Tuesday for NASA, sending a measure to President Donald Trump that includes support for an eventual Mars mission and the International Space Station.

Analysis

New Model Regs For Taxing Services May Lead To Lawsuits

The Multistate Tax Commission's new model regulations for determining how businesses should apportion their income to different states has raised constitutional concerns among tax practitioners who say the recommendations, if adopted, could lead to conflicts between states and service providers.

BANKING & SECURITIES

DC Circ. Rejects Motions To Intervene In CFPB Litigation

The D.C. Circuit on Tuesday denied bids by both backers of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, including Democratic members of Congress and state attorneys general, and bureau opponents to involve themselves in a high-stakes appeal of a ruling that could alter the bureau's leadership structure.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

Congress' Axing Of BLM Planning Rule Sent Along To Trump

The Senate on Tuesday passed its most recent in a series of resolutions targeting late rules from former President Barack Obama's

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Pharmaceutical Care Management Association

administration, this one aimed at undoing the Bureau of Land Management's new land-planning regime, and sent it to President Donald Trump for his signature.

Senate Dems Ask EPA To Keep Vehicle Emissions Standards

A group of 12 Senate Democrats wrote a letter to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt on Tuesday in support of keeping emission standards for light-duty vehicles, arguing the rules should stay in place to help the environment and reduce dependency on foreign oil.

Fishermen Challenge Obama's Atlantic Marine Monument

A coalition of New England fishermen organizations on Tuesday sued the federal government over former President Barack Obama's designation of an oceanic national monument that they say will harm commercial fishing in the area.

EPA Can't Ignore Mercury Rule Mistakes, DC Circ. Told

Environmentalists and electric industry groups on Monday took their final swings at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's mercury rule for coal-fired power plants in the D.C. Circuit, insisting the agency wrongly rejected their bids to alter the rule.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

Epic Backlash Grieats ACA Repeal Plan

House Republicans on Tuesday encountered swift and sweeping resistance to their Affordable Care Act repeal plan, with powerful industry groups and diverse conservative voices expressing opposition.

Clearing Medicare Backlog Quickly Is Impossible, HHS Says

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services won't be able to meet a court-imposed

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

deadline to clear a backlog of Medicare billing appeals unless it settles the claims without actually seeing if they have merit, the agency told a D.C. federal court Monday.

Trump's Rule To Stabilize ACA Draws Praise, Warnings

The Trump administration on Tuesday heard vastly different perspectives on its ideas for stabilizing Affordable Care Act marketplaces, with consumers, insurers and regulators diverging on proposals for restricting enrollment and easing network oversight.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

MLB Execs Testify As Ballplayer Smuggling Trial Continues

An agent and a trainer accused of helping smuggle Cuban ballplayers to the United States commenced their defense Tuesday by calling Texas Rangers General Manager Jon Daniels and other baseball executives to testify at their federal trial in Miami after the judge rejected their motions for acquittal.

Fla. Court Declares State Lottery Contract Void

A Florida judge handed the leader of the state's House of Representatives a win Tuesday by declaring the state lottery department's 14-year contract for ticket vending machines void because the department did not get legislative approval first.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Norwegian Air Can Intervene In DC Circ. Air Permit Row

Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA's Irish subsidiary can intervene in a suit brought by a coalition of pilots and flight attendants unions challenging the U.S. Department of Transportation's controversial decision to grant the airline a

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Office of Personnel Management

U.S. Railroad Retirement Board

U.S. Senate

U.S. Supreme Court

foreign air carrier permit, the D.C. Circuit has decided.

DC Circ. Asked To Halt Santa Monica Runway Reduction

General aviation groups asked the D.C. Circuit on Monday to halt Santa Monica's plans to shorten its airport runway to shut out jets as allowed under the California city's approved plan to close the airfield by 2029, a pact with the Federal Aviation Administration that airport proponents argue is legally invalid.

Unions Slam Railroads' Bid To Preempt Mass. Sick Leave Law

A group of labor unions that represent railway workers told the First Circuit on Monday that a lower court wrongly deemed a Massachusetts paid sick leave law to be preempted by federal law, as the latter was designed to preempt only laws that would duplicate longer-term disability benefits.

EMPLOYMENT

6th Circ. Denies Rehearing On County's Right-To-Work Law

The Sixth Circuit on Monday declined to revisit as a full body a November panel ruling that a Kentucky county's right-to-work ordinance is allowed by the National Labor Relations Act, leaving the door open for local governments to enact such measures where no statewide law exists.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Gretchen Carlson, Dems Push Bids To Ax Forced Arbitration

Former Fox News anchor Gretchen Carlson and a group of Democratic lawmakers pitched legislation that would keep mandatory arbitration clauses out of employment and other consumer contracts, saying at a news

conference Tuesday that arbitration protects corporations from facing their ills.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Senate Panel Will Examine US Trade Rep Nominee Next Week

The Senate Finance Committee on Tuesday announced that it will hold a hearing on March 14 to consider the nomination of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP trade attorney Robert Lighthizer to serve as the next U.S. trade representative.

TAX

SD Sales Tax Law Edges Closer To Hearing In Top Court

A South Dakota law imposing sales taxes on certain out-of-state retailers inched closer to the Supreme Court on Tuesday when a state circuit court tossed a lawsuit to compel online retailers to pay the tax, finding the suit fails as a matter of law.

Pa. Auditor Says Marijuana Can Help Close Budget Shortfall

Pennsylvania's auditor general called for the full legalization, and taxation, of marijuana Monday as a way to tackle the state's projected \$3 billion budget shortfall and to address the social and fiscal costs of policing the drug and pursuing criminal charges against users.

Water Agency Can't Revive Challenge To Tribal-Land Tax Rule

The Ninth Circuit held Tuesday that a California water agency was not injured by a federal regulation it argued might keep it from collecting certain taxes and fees from non-Indians who lease reservation lands, affirming the toss of the agency's challenge.

IMMIGRATION

Trump's Hiring Freeze Doesn't Touch Immigration Judges

President Donald Trump's recent federal employee hiring freeze does not affect federal immigration judges, the Executive Office for Immigration Review has said, marking the latest clarification on how the president's budget-cutting agenda will be implemented.

Immigration Group Wants In On Visa Rule Challenge Suit

An advocacy group for high-skilled immigrants has asked to intervene in an appeal at the D.C. Circuit brought by Save Jobs USA over a decision upholding a new rule that would allow spouses of certain H-1B workers to apply for employment authorization, saying the rule was validly implemented but may no longer be defended by the federal government under President Trump.

NATIVE AMERICAN

Tenn. Judge Nixes Native Groups' Suit Over State Recognition

A Tennessee federal judge on Monday tossed a suit by three Native American groups claiming the state violated their constitutional rights by reneging on a state commission's decision to recognize them as tribes, saying Tennessee hadn't waived its Eleventh Amendment immunity to those claims.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Trump Renominates FCC's Pai To Continue As Chairman

President Donald Trump has nominated Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai to a second term at the agency, the commission announced on Tuesday.

Analysis

FCC's Robocall Plan To Benefit From Rare Bipartisanship

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai's planned proposal to expand the tools for combating illegal robocalls builds from a President Barack Obama-era initiative, and experts say it's expected to gain rare agreement across party lines and between government and industry.

Broadcasters Ask FCC To Make Post-Auction Deadline Flexible

The National Association of Broadcasters has urged the Federal Communications Commission to make its timeline for repacking broadcasters after the incentive auction flexible, saying viewers could be at risk of losing service.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Shining A Light On GOP Plan For Health Care Reform

Since the election of President Trump and Republican majorities in the House and the Senate, there has been a strong push to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. However, there has been little detail as to what "repeal" or "replace" actually mean. Recent developments provide some clarity, say members of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP.

The Need To Preserve And Expand Tribal VAWA Jurisdiction

Given the new administration's penchant for rolling back progressive civil rights and social justice victories achieved under the Obama administration, the fight to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act looms large. VAWA provides crucial protection for Native American women, who are victims of violent crime more than any other demographic, primarily at the hands of non-Natives, says Becky Howlett of Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP.

NY Employers Can't Avoid Overtime And Minimum Wage Regs

When a district court judge in Texas enjoined the U.S. Department of Labor's federal overtime rule last year many employers breathed a sigh of relief. However, there are many states, like New York, that have expressed a real intent to fill the void and make sure that labor protections continue, say Joshua Zuckerberg and LaKeisha Caton of Pryor Cashman LLP.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Largest Firms' Rates Pull Further Ahead Of The Pack

The split is growing between partner billing rates at the largest law firms and the lower tiers, even at other relatively large firms, a report based on 2016 billing data has found.

Morgan Lewis Launches Remote-Work Option For Associates

Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP on Tuesday announced a formal remote-working program for associates.

Ex-BigLaw Atty's Pfizer Tip Shared Among Friends, Jury Told

The trial of a former Hunton & Williams patent partner who allegedly leaked inside information about a Pfizer deal continued Tuesday as a cooperating witness who pled guilty to trading on the intel told jurors the details about how the tip ended up in his hands — and how it was eventually discovered.

Dewey Star Cooperator Set To Take Stand At Fraud Retrial

The former director of finance at Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP and star cooperating witness for the government is due to take the witness stand Thursday in the retrial of two top Dewey executives accused of running a massive accounting fraud scheme at the firm.

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Digital Realty Trust Inc.

Ernst & Young

Exxon Mobil Corporation

Fannie Mae

Fitbit Inc.

allegations made directly to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

7th Circ. Asked To Restore Relator In Settled Bribery Suit

The man who once headed a lawsuit accusing a contractor of bribing a Chicago city official asked the Seventh Circuit on Friday to reinstate his position in the case, which recently settled for \$20 million.

DOD Contractor Hits Maersk With \$2M Cargo Suit

Maersk Line Ltd. on Friday was hit with a \$2 million suit by a Dubai-based government contracting firm doing business with the U.S. Department of Defense, alleging it was overbilled by the shipping company and sustained cargo damage.

Mass. Appeals Court Revives Wynn Resort Selection Suit

A Massachusetts appellate court on Friday revived a suit lobbed against state gambling regulators over an allegedly flawed and inconsistent process to hand a casino license to Wynn Resorts over Mohegan Sun, saying the Massachusetts Gaming Commission unlawfully made its decision in secret.

7th Circ. OKs Toss Of Health Care Workers' Bargaining Suit

The Seventh Circuit on Thursday affirmed a district court's ruling dismissing a suit brought by a group of home health care workers challenging a union provision on exclusive bargaining, finding that the existence of a union representing the workers in a certain field in a state does not violate those workers' First Amendment rights.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

In The Associate Lateral Market, All Law Firms Are Not Equal

Freddie Mac
Goldman Sachs Group Inc.
HSBC Holdings PLC
Home Depot, Inc.
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes
KKR Financial Holdings LLC
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King Pharmaceuticals Inc.
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Defense Contract Audit Agency
Defense Logistics Agency
Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council

When associates contemplate a potential lateral move, there is a common misconception that all law firms are the same. It may seem that one law firm is just like the next, but if you dig deeper, you may discover unique attributes at some firms that may be more appealing and improve your professional satisfaction significantly, says Darin Morgan of Major Lindsey & Africa.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Feature

Can The Legal Industry Keep Trial Advocacy Alive?

Judges and trial lawyers are stepping in to help young attorneys learn to persuade a jury, but as trials disappear, these efforts might prove to be too little, too late.

How To Get The Most Out Of Outside Counsel

If the law firms your company works with are falling short of expectations, an in-house shake-up can help get them back on track and ensure they stay there. Here are four experts' approaches to better outside counsel management.

GC Cheat Sheet: The Hottest Corporate News Of The Week

The House OK'd three corporate-friendly pieces of legislation, VW copped to emissions cheating in a \$4.3 billion settlement and BigLaw rates got higher. Those stories top the corporate legal news you may have missed last week.

Gorsuch Drafted Comments On High Court Gitmo Case

During his tenure at the U.S. Department of Justice, Supreme Court nominee Judge Neil Gorsuch worked on talking points and other documents in response to a high court decision

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on Guantanamo Bay detainees, documents released this week show.

Legal Sector Jobs Drop In Trump Administration's First Month

Despite a strong month of job growth across the board during President Donald Trump's first full month in office, the legal services sector lost 1,300 jobs since January and reversed a three month positive trend, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics monthly jobs report released Friday.

Sessions Asks Obama's 46 Remaining US Attys To Resign

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions has asked for resignation letters from 46 U.S. attorneys including Manhattan's Preet Bharara, the U.S. Department of Justice said on Friday, reversing an assurance from Sessions and President Donald Trump that Bharara could stay.

Analysis

Trump's Os Prosecutor Purge Stokes DOJ Strife

The Trump administration on Friday abruptly forced out all remaining Obama-era U.S. attorneys, a move supporters were quick to defend as par for the course. But what made this different, critics say, was the hasty execution and suspicion that it was driven by a cable news pundit or the desire to head off a troublesome investigation or two.

How Preet Bharara Made A Name For Himself

Preet Bharara long called serving as the U.S. attorney in Manhattan his dream job, and for seven-and-a-half years he lived that dream — all the while haunting the nightmares of lawbreakers on Wall Street, in Albany and elsewhere.

Star Dewey Cooperator Tells Of 'Master Plan' To Con Banks

The highest ranking Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP staffer to plead guilty in the Manhattan district attorney's case accusing the law firm's top executives of an accounting fraud scheme on Friday told jurors of the "master plan" to falsely inflate Dewey's income, and said that the firm's chief financial officer was in on the scam.

Calif. Bar Bans Attorney-Client Sex In Ethics Overhaul

The board of trustees for the State Bar of California has approved a new rule prohibiting sexual relations in most instances between attorneys and their clients, as part of a recent effort to transform the state's ethics guidelines.

In Case You Missed It: Hottest Firms And Stories On Law360

For those who missed out, here's a look back at the law firms, stories and expert analyses that generated the most buzz on Law360 last week.

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allegations made directly to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

7th Circ. Asked To Restore Relator In Settled Bribery Suit

The man who once headed a lawsuit accusing a contractor of bribing a Chicago city official asked the Seventh Circuit on Friday to reinstate his position in the case, which recently settled for \$20 million.

DOD Contractor Hits Maersk With \$2M Cargo Suit

Maersk Line Ltd. on Friday was hit with a \$2 million suit by a Dubai-based government contracting firm doing business with the U.S. Department of Defense, alleging it was overbilled by the shipping company and sustained cargo damage.

Mass. Appeals Court Revives Wynn Resort Selection Suit

A Massachusetts appellate court on Friday revived a suit lobbed against state gambling regulators over an allegedly flawed and inconsistent process to hand a casino license to Wynn Resorts over Mohegan Sun, saying the Massachusetts Gaming Commission unlawfully made its decision in secret.

7th Circ. OKs Toss Of Health Care Workers' Bargaining Suit

The Seventh Circuit on Thursday affirmed a district court's ruling dismissing a suit brought by a group of home health care workers challenging a union provision on exclusive bargaining, finding that the existence of a union representing the workers in a certain field in a state does not violate those workers' First Amendment rights.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

In The Associate Lateral Market, All Law Firms Are Not Equal

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LEGAL INDUSTRY

Feature

Can The Legal Industry Keep Trial Advocacy Alive?

Judges and trial lawyers are stepping in to help young attorneys learn to persuade a jury, but as trials disappear, these efforts might prove to be too little, too late.

How To Get The Most Out Of Outside Counsel

If the law firms your company works with are falling short of expectations, an in-house shake-up can help get them back on track and ensure they stay there. Here are four experts' approaches to better outside counsel management.

GC Cheat Sheet: The Hottest Corporate News Of The Week

The House OK'd three corporate-friendly pieces of legislation, VW copped to emissions cheating in a \$4.3 billion settlement and BigLaw rates got higher. Those stories top the corporate legal news you may have missed last week.

Gorsuch Drafted Comments On High Court Gitmo Case

During his tenure at the U.S. Department of Justice, Supreme Court nominee Judge Neil Gorsuch worked on talking points and other documents in response to a high court decision

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on Guantanamo Bay detainees, documents released this week show.

Legal Sector Jobs Drop In Trump Administration's First Month

Despite a strong month of job growth across the board during President Donald Trump's first full month in office, the legal services sector lost 1,300 jobs since January and reversed a three month positive trend, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics monthly jobs report released Friday.

Sessions Asks Obama's 46 Remaining US Attys To Resign

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions has asked for resignation letters from 46 U.S. attorneys including Manhattan's Preet Bharara, the U.S. Department of Justice said on Friday, reversing an assurance from Sessions and President Donald Trump that Bharara could stay.

Analysis

Trump's Os Prosecutor Purge Stokes DOJ Strife

The Trump administration on Friday abruptly forced out all remaining Obama-era U.S. attorneys, a move supporters were quick to defend as par for the course. But what made this different, critics say, was the hasty execution and suspicion that it was driven by a cable news pundit or the desire to head off a troublesome investigation or two.

How Preet Bharara Made A Name For Himself

Preet Bharara long called serving as the U.S. attorney in Manhattan his dream job, and for seven-and-a-half years he lived that dream — all the while haunting the nightmares of lawbreakers on Wall Street, in Albany and elsewhere.

Star Dewey Cooperator Tells Of 'Master Plan' To Con Banks

The highest ranking Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP staffer to plead guilty in the Manhattan district attorney's case accusing the law firm's top executives of an accounting fraud scheme on Friday told jurors of the "master plan" to falsely inflate Dewey's income, and said that the firm's chief financial officer was in on the scam.

Calif. Bar Bans Attorney-Client Sex In Ethics Overhaul

The board of trustees for the State Bar of California has approved a new rule prohibiting sexual relations in most instances between attorneys and their clients, as part of a recent effort to transform the state's ethics guidelines.

In Case You Missed It: Hottest Firms And Stories On Law360

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National Basketball Association
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New York University
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Pfizer Inc.
Public Knowledge
Shanghai Stock Exchange Ltd.
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The federal government is planning to take back hydraulic fracturing regulations finalized in 2015 now that Pres. Donald Trump's administration is in charge, according to a filing Wednesday asking the Tenth Circuit to put off oral arguments at least until the government makes its move.

Groups Push For Permanent Delaware Watershed Frack Ban

More than 180 groups including the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, Sierra Club, Earthjustice and Greenpeace USA submitted a letter to the Delaware River Basin Commission Wednesday calling for a permanent ban on fracking within the Delaware River Watershed, according to a news release announcing the request.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

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Bureau of Land Management
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Central Intelligence Agency
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Internal Revenue Service
Kentucky Legislature
Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
NAFTA
National Labor Relations Board
National Security Agency
National Security Council
New York Attorney General's Office

Texas Files Suit At 5th Circ. Over Yucca Mountain Inaction

The state of Texas on Tuesday sued several federal agencies in the Fifth Circuit over the federal government's failure to complete the licensing process for a nuclear waste storage repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, saying it has violated the Nuclear Waste Policy Act.

Gas Co. Wants Enviro Kept Out Of Pa. Fracking Waste Case

Seneca Resources Corp. has told the Third Circuit that three environmentally minded groups attempting to intervene in a dispute over a Pennsylvania municipality's decision to drop an ordinance preventing the company from storing fracking waste underground do not have the right to intervene because they have suffered no actual injury that would involve them in the case.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

Dems. Blast HHS' 'Misguided' Plan To Ease Medicaid Rules

Two top Democrats on Tuesday criticized the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' plan to fast-track approvals of waivers looking to test different ways of delivering Medicaid funds and said the agency must ensure that any such programs are in line with what Congress intended Medicaid to do.

HHS Urges Justices To Uphold Obama ACA Enforcement Rule

The D.C. Circuit correctly ruled that West Virginia hasn't been harmed by the Obama administration's decision not to enforce certain Affordable Care Act insurance standards, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently told the U.S. Supreme Court.

Texas Seeks To Close Door On HHS Transgender Bias Rule

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World Health Organization

Several states and medical groups on Tuesday sought to make final a Texas federal court's temporary injunction blocking U.S. Department of Health and Human Services guidance that bars discrimination on the basis of gender identity from taking effect.

Greenberg Traurig Atty Brings Deep Resume To HHS Post

The Trump administration's pick for second-in-command at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is a Greenberg Traurig LLP attorney with two decades of health care experience as a civil servant, private practice deal-maker and international liaison.

CAPITAL MARKETS

China, Hong Kong Plan To Link Bond Markets

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange owner said Wednesday it has begun preparatory work for a connection that will link its bond market with mainland China, boosting its role as an international financial center while allowing China to expand its capital markets to overseas investors.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Buzzfeed Seeks Toss, Transfer Of Suit Over Trump Dossier

A Russian technology executive's defamation lawsuit against Buzzfeed for publishing a dossier alleging Russia has compromising information on President Donald Trump without redacting his name has no business being decided in Florida federal court and should be dismissed or moved to New York, the media company argued on Tuesday.

EMPLOYMENT

NLRB Legal Chief Says Funding Shortfall Has Hurt Operations

The top lawyer for the National Labor Relations Board told regional offices that years of underfunding have left the agency unable to adequately staff itself or pursue necessary upgrades, in a memo sent just days before the Trump administration will unveil a proposed budget that is expected to steeply cut funding for numerous agencies.

6th Circ. Won't Vacate Ky. County Right-To-Work Ruling

The Sixth Circuit on Wednesday declined a request by a group of unions to vacate as moot its November order allowing part of a Kentucky county's right-to-work ordinance to stand, saying the interplay between the local law and a new statewide law passed in January is up to the state's legislature, not the courts.

Port Authority Ducks Ex-Worker's NJ Whistleblower Suit

A New Jersey appeals court on Wednesday rejected a retaliation suit alleging the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey forced a police inspector into retirement, saying a lack of parallel whistleblower statutes in both New York and New Jersey bars the suit.

COMPETITION

Experts Want Coordination Of Competition, Trade Policies

A group of experts commissioned by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce released a report Tuesday calling for more coordination of competition and international trade policies to prevent other countries from using antitrust enforcement actions inappropriately.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

NC Lawmakers Say NCAA, ACC 'Lobbying' On Bathroom Law

North Carolina state lawmakers introduced a bill on Tuesday challenging the NCAA's and Atlantic Coast Conference's federal tax-exempt

status, alleging they engaged in “excessive lobbying activities” in moving events such as games in this year’s NCAA basketball tournament from the state over its transgender bathroom law.

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

White House Picks Top NSA Hacker For Cybersecurity Chief

The White House has picked National Security Agency official Rob Joyce as its new “cyber czar,” a role that will give him oversight of the executive branch’s cybersecurity efforts, an administration official confirmed Wednesday.

5th Circ. Won’t Rehear 3-D Gun Printing Restriction Dispute

The Fifth Circuit on Wednesday declined to rehear en banc a gun advocacy group’s argument that the U.S. Department of State had wrongfully barred it from posting digital firearm designs for 3-D printing online.

TAX

Obama Admin. Wonks Dismiss Border Tax Projections

The border adjustment tax, a central component of the GOP framework for corporate tax reform, is unlikely to raise the \$1.2 trillion in additional revenue Republicans are relying on to pay for steep rate cuts, according to two Obama administration economic policy experts.

IMMIGRATION

Pence, Ex-Ind. AG Freed From Trans Man’s Name Change Suit

A transgender Mexican refugee cannot sue former Indiana officials, including ex-Gov. and current Vice President Mike Pence, over a state policy that requires name change applicants to prove their U.S. citizenship, an Indiana federal judge ruled Monday.

New Attacks Lodged Against Travel Ban Executive Order

Several Iranian-American groups and the Council on American Islamic Relations have filed fresh attacks on President Donald Trump's revised travel ban executive order, adding to the mounting legal challenges against the controversial order, key portions of which were blocked by another court Wednesday.

NATIVE AMERICAN

DOI Indian Affairs Deputy Solicitor Rejoins Steptoe

Steptoe & Johnson LLP on Tuesday announced the return of one of its attorneys who principally focuses on Native American policy and legal matters after he spent the last couple of years serving in the U.S. Department of the Interior.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Analysis

DC Circ.'s Delay On Net Neutrality Points To Wider Holdup

The long wait for a D.C. Circuit ruling on whether to reconsider its earlier decision upholding the Federal Communications Commission's net neutrality rules is likely part of a broader holding pattern across the government as power shifts to Republicans, with the GOP in this case likely to revisit or scrap the rules, experts say.

FCC's Pai Promises To Speed Up Innovation On Midwest Tour

The Federal Communications Commission will begin focusing on approving new technologies more quickly, agency Chairman Ajit Pai said Wednesday as he kicked off a short tour aimed at promoting broadband development in Midwestern cities.

Internet Group Urges FCC To Align Privacy Rules With FTC

The Internet Association on Tuesday told the Federal Communications Commission that it should work to bring its privacy rules for internet service providers in line with the Federal Trade Commission's framework in a way that avoids disrupting the services offered by edge providers such as Google Inc. and Facebook Inc.

FCC Told Lifeline Broadband Change Hurts Underserved Kids

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EXPERT ANALYSIS

FDA Faces Uncertainty Implementing 21st Century Cures Act

The 21st Century Cures Act sailed through Congress with broad bipartisan support, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration stood ready to implement its provisions. Three months later, however, uncertainties created by two presidential actions have stalled the act's implementation, say Seth Rothman and Jessica Studness of Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP.

Challenges Continue For Organized Labor In 2017

Having faced a decadeslong erosion in membership, dues revenue and political clout, the labor movement is facing another tough year in 2017. The latest threat comes from the United States Congress, where last month, the National Right-to-Work Act was introduced, say Scott Beightol and Miguel Manriquez of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP.

Considerations For Exhibit Hyperlinks In SEC Filings

Companies should begin to prepare for the mechanics of the new hyperlink requirements for U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filings and to design disclosure controls and procedures so that they will be ready to comply on a timely basis. Some companies may even choose to comply early in order to get corporate governance "credit," say Laura Richman and Michael Hermsen of Mayer Brown LLP.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Facebook Is King Of Legal Social Media World, Study Says

Lawyers and law firms in the U.S. continue to embrace social media as part of their marketing strategies, relying more heavily on Facebook as a primary source to bring in business, a new study released on Tuesday found.

Firms Say Tech Is Driving Legal Industry To 'Tipping Point'

Law firm leaders worldwide say that over the next five years, technological advances will change the face of their business more than competition and client demands will combined.

Ex-Hunton Patent Atty Convicted Of Insider Trading

A former Hunton & Williams LLP patent attorney on Wednesday was convicted by a Brooklyn federal jury of insider trading charges for tipping off his friend and investment adviser about Pfizer Inc.'s plans to acquire his client.

LA Firms' Survey Shows High Potential For Mergers

A number of Los Angeles firms have been eyed as viable candidates to combine with other firms over the last year, according to results of a new survey focused on the Los Angeles market released Wednesday by the legal consulting firm Zeughauser Group.

Analysis

4 Ways GCs Can Cope With Immigration Uncertainty

With change afoot in the immigration realm — and with it, overwhelming uncertainty — general counsel need to act fast and think ahead. Here's what three experts say GCs should do now to prepare their company for the reforms and rule changes that could upend their employment plans.

Plaintiffs Bar Perspective: Hausfeld's Timothy Kearns

The ability to identify with people and understand where they're coming from is a key to dealing with clients and class members. But it may be just as critical when dealing with defendants and defense counsel, says Timothy Kearns of Hausfeld LLP.

My Strangest Day In Court: Hitting A Curveball

As a trial lawyer, you make instantaneous decisions in courtrooms all the time, but that day was different. I had to balance my advocate's concern for the class of investors I represented against the empathy I felt for a fellow human being's tragic loss, says Nicholas Chimicles of Chimicles & Tikellis LLP.

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DOI Plans To Rescind Obama-Era Fracking Rule

The federal government is planning to take back hydraulic fracturing regulations finalized in 2015 now that Pres. Donald Trump's administration is in charge, according to a filing Wednesday asking the Tenth Circuit to put off oral arguments at least until the government makes its move.

Groups Push For Permanent Delaware Watershed Frack Ban

More than 180 groups including the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, Sierra Club, Earthjustice and Greenpeace USA submitted a letter to the Delaware River Basin Commission Wednesday calling for a permanent ban on fracking within the Delaware River Watershed, according to a news release announcing the request.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Army Corps of Engineers
Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services
Bureau of Labor Statistics
Bureau of Land Management
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Central Intelligence Agency
Commodity Futures Trading Commission
Congressional Budget Office
Defense Intelligence Agency
Delaware River Basin Commission
Department of Commerce
Executive Office of the President
Export-Import Bank of the United States
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Federal Communications Commission
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.
Federal Election Commission
Federal Reserve System
Federal Trade Commission
Financial Stability Oversight Council
Food and Drug Administration
Indiana Attorney General's Office
Internal Revenue Service
Kentucky Legislature
Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
NAFTA
National Labor Relations Board
National Security Agency
National Security Council
New York Attorney General's Office

Texas Files Suit At 5th Circ. Over Yucca Mountain Inaction

The state of Texas on Tuesday sued several federal agencies in the Fifth Circuit over the federal government's failure to complete the licensing process for a nuclear waste storage repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, saying it has violated the Nuclear Waste Policy Act.

Gas Co. Wants Enviro Kept Out Of Pa. Fracking Waste Case

Seneca Resources Corp. has told the Third Circuit that three environmentally minded groups attempting to intervene in a dispute over a Pennsylvania municipality's decision to drop an ordinance preventing the company from storing fracking waste underground do not have the right to intervene because they have suffered no actual injury that would involve them in the case.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

Dems. Blast HHS' 'Misguided' Plan To Ease Medicaid Rules

Two top Democrats on Tuesday criticized the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' plan to fast-track approvals of waivers looking to test different ways of delivering Medicaid funds and said the agency must ensure that any such programs are in line with what Congress intended Medicaid to do.

HHS Urges Justices To Uphold Obama ACA Enforcement Rule

The D.C. Circuit correctly ruled that West Virginia hasn't been harmed by the Obama administration's decision not to enforce certain Affordable Care Act insurance standards, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently told the U.S. Supreme Court.

Texas Seeks To Close Door On HHS Transgender Bias Rule

New York State Department of Financial Services

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

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U.S. Department of Transportation

U.S. Department of the Interior

U.S. Department of the Treasury

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

U.S. Supreme Court

Ute Indian Tribe

World Health Organization

Several states and medical groups on Tuesday sought to make final a Texas federal court's temporary injunction blocking U.S. Department of Health and Human Services guidance that bars discrimination on the basis of gender identity from taking effect.

Greenberg Traurig Atty Brings Deep Resume To HHS Post

The Trump administration's pick for second-in-command at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is a Greenberg Traurig LLP attorney with two decades of health care experience as a civil servant, private practice deal-maker and international liaison.

CAPITAL MARKETS

China, Hong Kong Plan To Link Bond Markets

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange owner said Wednesday it has begun preparatory work for a connection that will link its bond market with mainland China, boosting its role as an international financial center while allowing China to expand its capital markets to overseas investors.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Buzzfeed Seeks Toss, Transfer Of Suit Over Trump Dossier

A Russian technology executive's defamation lawsuit against Buzzfeed for publishing a dossier alleging Russia has compromising information on President Donald Trump without redacting his name has no business being decided in Florida federal court and should be dismissed or moved to New York, the media company argued on Tuesday.

EMPLOYMENT

NLRB Legal Chief Says Funding Shortfall Has Hurt Operations

The top lawyer for the National Labor Relations Board told regional offices that years of underfunding have left the agency unable to adequately staff itself or pursue necessary upgrades, in a memo sent just days before the Trump administration will unveil a proposed budget that is expected to steeply cut funding for numerous agencies.

6th Circ. Won't Vacate Ky. County Right-To-Work Ruling

The Sixth Circuit on Wednesday declined a request by a group of unions to vacate as moot its November order allowing part of a Kentucky county's right-to-work ordinance to stand, saying the interplay between the local law and a new statewide law passed in January is up to the state's legislature, not the courts.

Port Authority Ducks Ex-Worker's NJ Whistleblower Suit

A New Jersey appeals court on Wednesday rejected a retaliation suit alleging the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey forced a police inspector into retirement, saying a lack of parallel whistleblower statutes in both New York and New Jersey bars the suit.

COMPETITION

Experts Want Coordination Of Competition, Trade Policies

A group of experts commissioned by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce released a report Tuesday calling for more coordination of competition and international trade policies to prevent other countries from using antitrust enforcement actions inappropriately.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

NC Lawmakers Say NCAA, ACC 'Lobbying' On Bathroom Law

North Carolina state lawmakers introduced a bill on Tuesday challenging the NCAA's and Atlantic Coast Conference's federal tax-exempt

status, alleging they engaged in “excessive lobbying activities” in moving events such as games in this year’s NCAA basketball tournament from the state over its transgender bathroom law.

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

White House Picks Top NSA Hacker For Cybersecurity Chief

The White House has picked National Security Agency official Rob Joyce as its new “cyber czar,” a role that will give him oversight of the executive branch’s cybersecurity efforts, an administration official confirmed Wednesday.

5th Circ. Won’t Rehear 3-D Gun Printing Restriction Dispute

The Fifth Circuit on Wednesday declined to rehear en banc a gun advocacy group’s argument that the U.S. Department of State had wrongfully barred it from posting digital firearm designs for 3-D printing online.

TAX

Obama Admin. Wonks Dismiss Border Tax Projections

The border adjustment tax, a central component of the GOP framework for corporate tax reform, is unlikely to raise the \$1.2 trillion in additional revenue Republicans are relying on to pay for steep rate cuts, according to two Obama administration economic policy experts.

IMMIGRATION

Pence, Ex-Ind. AG Freed From Trans Man’s Name Change Suit

A transgender Mexican refugee cannot sue former Indiana officials, including ex-Gov. and current Vice President Mike Pence, over a state policy that requires name change applicants to prove their U.S. citizenship, an Indiana federal judge ruled Monday.

New Attacks Lodged Against Travel Ban Executive Order

Several Iranian-American groups and the Council on American Islamic Relations have filed fresh attacks on President Donald Trump's revised travel ban executive order, adding to the mounting legal challenges against the controversial order, key portions of which were blocked by another court Wednesday.

NATIVE AMERICAN

DOI Indian Affairs Deputy Solicitor Rejoins Steptoe

Steptoe & Johnson LLP on Tuesday announced the return of one of its attorneys who principally focuses on Native American policy and legal matters after he spent the last couple of years serving in the U.S. Department of the Interior.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Analysis

DC Circ.'s Delay On Net Neutrality Points To Wider Holdup

The long wait for a D.C. Circuit ruling on whether to reconsider its earlier decision upholding the Federal Communications Commission's net neutrality rules is likely part of a broader holding pattern across the government as power shifts to Republicans, with the GOP in this case likely to revisit or scrap the rules, experts say.

FCC's Pai Promises To Speed Up Innovation On Midwest Tour

The Federal Communications Commission will begin focusing on approving new technologies more quickly, agency Chairman Ajit Pai said Wednesday as he kicked off a short tour aimed at promoting broadband development in Midwestern cities.

Internet Group Urges FCC To Align Privacy Rules With FTC

The Internet Association on Tuesday told the Federal Communications Commission that it should work to bring its privacy rules for internet service providers in line with the Federal Trade Commission's framework in a way that avoids disrupting the services offered by edge providers such as Google Inc. and Facebook Inc.

FCC Told Lifeline Broadband Change Hurts Underserved Kids

Several children's and education advocates urged the Federal Communications Commission on Wednesday to reconsider its move to strip several companies of their eligibility to provide Lifeline broadband service, saying it is contrary to the public interest and hurts efforts to close the so-called homework gap for students without broadband access.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

FDA Faces Uncertainty Implementing 21st Century Cures Act

The 21st Century Cures Act sailed through Congress with broad bipartisan support, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration stood ready to implement its provisions. Three months later, however, uncertainties created by two presidential actions have stalled the act's implementation, say Seth Rothman and Jessica Studness of Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP.

Challenges Continue For Organized Labor In 2017

Having faced a decadeslong erosion in membership, dues revenue and political clout, the labor movement is facing another tough year in 2017. The latest threat comes from the United States Congress, where last month, the National Right-to-Work Act was introduced, say Scott Beightol and Miguel Manriquez of Michael Best & Friedrich LLP.

Considerations For Exhibit Hyperlinks In SEC Filings

Companies should begin to prepare for the mechanics of the new hyperlink requirements for U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filings and to design disclosure controls and procedures so that they will be ready to comply on a timely basis. Some companies may even choose to comply early in order to get corporate governance "credit," say Laura Richman and Michael Hermsen of Mayer Brown LLP.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Facebook Is King Of Legal Social Media World, Study Says

Lawyers and law firms in the U.S. continue to embrace social media as part of their marketing strategies, relying more heavily on Facebook as a primary source to bring in business, a new study released on Tuesday found.

Firms Say Tech Is Driving Legal Industry To 'Tipping Point'

Law firm leaders worldwide say that over the next five years, technological advances will change the face of their business more than competition and client demands will combined.

Ex-Hunton Patent Atty Convicted Of Insider Trading

A former Hunton & Williams LLP patent attorney on Wednesday was convicted by a Brooklyn federal jury of insider trading charges for tipping off his friend and investment adviser about Pfizer Inc.'s plans to acquire his client.

LA Firms' Survey Shows High Potential For Mergers

A number of Los Angeles firms have been eyed as viable candidates to combine with other firms over the last year, according to results of a new survey focused on the Los Angeles market released Wednesday by the legal consulting firm Zeughauser Group.

Analysis

4 Ways GCs Can Cope With Immigration Uncertainty

With change afoot in the immigration realm — and with it, overwhelming uncertainty — general counsel need to act fast and think ahead. Here's what three experts say GCs should do now to prepare their company for the reforms and rule changes that could upend their employment plans.

Plaintiffs Bar Perspective: Hausfeld's Timothy Kearns

The ability to identify with people and understand where they're coming from is a key to dealing with clients and class members. But it may be just as critical when dealing with defendants and defense counsel, says Timothy Kearns of Hausfeld LLP.

My Strangest Day In Court: Hitting A Curveball

As a trial lawyer, you make instantaneous decisions in courtrooms all the time, but that day was different. I had to balance my advocate's concern for the class of investors I represented against the empathy I felt for a fellow human being's tragic loss, says Nicholas Chimicles of Chimicles & Tikellis LLP.

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TOP NEWS

More Democrats Rally To Gorsuch Filibuster Effort

Senate Democrats pushed further to block of the Tenth Circuit Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday, as more than half of their colleagues have said they would oppose his confirmation.

Justices Set Tough Standard For State Credit Card Fee Laws

A Wednesday U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a New York law restricting credit card fee disclosures regulated retailers' speech puts similar statutes around the country on shaky ground.

Gov't Funding Bill Likely To Exclude \$33B For Defense, Wall

Congressional leaders are moving ahead with a fiscal year 2017 funding bill that is likely to exclude the White House's \$33 billion supplemental request intended for defense spending and to help build President Donald Trump's touted southern border wall project, a senior Republican lawmaker said Tuesday.

Sens. Provide Update On Russia Probe As Nunes Stands Firm

LAW FIRMS

Akin Gump
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Baker Donelson
Ballard Spahr
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Beytin McLaughlin
Blank Rome
Boies Schiller
Bowman and Brooke
Carter Ledyard
Cozen O'Connor
Crowell & Moring
Dinsmore & Shohl
Earthjustice
Epstein Becker Green
Fisher Phillips
Foley Hoag
Gibson Dunn
Grunfeld Desiderio
Gupta Wessler
Hadsell Stormer
Hogan Lovells
Holland & Knight
Jenner & Block
Labaton Sucharow

Senate Intelligence Committee leaders sought to underscore the seriousness of their probe into Russian interference with the 2016 presidential election on Wednesday, as House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nunes, R-Calif., pinned the blame on Democrats for difficulties with his own committee's investigation, rebuffing calls to step down.

Lifting Of Federal Coal Moratorium Sparks Legal Fight

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke on Wednesday formally lifted the moratorium on the federal coal leasing program imposed last year, prompting an immediate legal challenge from environmental groups and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

Fla. House Narrowly Passes Judicial Term Limits Bill

The Florida House of Representatives narrowly passed a bill Wednesday that would place an amendment on the ballot next year to limit state appellate and Supreme Court judges to two six-year terms.

High Court Says NY Credit Card Disclosures Regulate Speech

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday asked a federal appellate court to determine whether a New York law that restricts the disclosures retailers can make to customers about credit card surcharges violated retailers' First Amendment rights, vacating the lower court's ruling that upheld the law.

FCC's Pai Seeks Internet Without 'Heavy-Handed' Regs

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai doubled down Wednesday on his theme of a new "light touch" approach that promotes investment at the FCC, advocating for an internet freer from "heavy-handed" regulation in a speech that also touted new telecom cooperation between India and the U.S.

Latham & Watkins
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

Long & Levit

Morgan Lewis

Polsinelli

Quarles & Brady

Quinn Emanuel

Sedgwick LLP

Shearman & Sterling

Spiegel & McDiarmid

Squire Patton Boggs

Sullivan & Cromwell

Womble Carlyle

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American Bar Association

American Civil Liberties Union

Associated Press

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CIGNA Corporation

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Dynegy Inc.

Entergy Corporation

Exelon Corporation

Financial Services Roundtable

Geico

GlaxoSmithKline

Humana Inc.

LawVision Group LLC

Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

NFL Enterprises LLC

NRG Energy Inc.

Oakland Raiders

GWB Scandal Figures Get Prison Terms For 'Abuse Of Power'

Two former public officials convicted in the George Washington Bridge lane-closing scandal were slapped with prison terms Wednesday for what a New Jersey federal judge called ?Can outrageous display of abuse of power" driven by a culture in the state Capitol where political opponents faced retribution.

BANKING & SECURITIES

Dems Say Piwowar Overstepping Authority At SEC

Four Democratic senators asked the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's inspector general on Wednesday to investigate Acting Chair Michael Piwowar's latest actions, suggesting Piwowar may be undermining the agency's mission and exceeding his authority by directing policy changes.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

EPA Asks DC Circ. To Put Off Ruling On Clean Power Plan

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday asked the D.C. Circuit to hold off on issuing an opinion on the validity of the Clean Power Plan, following President Donald Trump's signing of an executive order directing the EPA to review the rule.

Pa. Appeals Court Limits Reach Of Gas Law's Well Fee

A Pennsylvania appeals court issued a published decision on Wednesday finding that wells that fall below a natural gas production threshold for one month out of the year can skirt paying annual impact fees assessed under state law to compensate local governments for drilling-related activities.

NY State Seeks To Quash Bid To Ax Nuke Plant Subsidies

PPL Corporation

Philadelphia Entertainment & Development Partners

SIFMA

Service Employees International Union

Sierra Club

Talen Energy Corp.

Twitter Inc.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

United Auto Workers

Verizon Communications

Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

Washington Post Co.

Yahoo! Inc.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Antitrust Modernization Commission

Arizona Attorney General's Office

Bureau of Land Management

Department of Commerce

Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Executive Office of the President

Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council

Federal Communications Commission

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Federal Trade Commission

Fish and Wildlife Service

Florida House of Representatives

Florida State Senate

Government Accountability Office

Library of Congress

Muckleshoot Indian Tribe

An attorney for New York state utility regulators on Wednesday urged a federal judge in Manhattan to reject challenges to the Empire State's plan to subsidize three struggling nuclear power plants as part of a clean-energy strategy, drawing a distinction between the plan and Maryland energy subsidies, which the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated last year.

Green Groups Say No Proof Nuke Plants Are Zero-Emission

Green groups on Tuesday told a federal judge the conclusion that nuclear power produces zero emissions when generating electricity asserted in New York's plan to subsidize three struggling nuclear power plants is flawed, saying there is no evidence supporting such an assertion.

Enviros Lose Bid To Nix NJ Permit For Road Over Park Trail

A permit granted to build a bypass road over a current park trail in Ocean County was proper, a New Jersey appeals court ruled Wednesday, finding the state's Department of Environmental Protection did not violate any regulations in granting the permit after denying earlier proposals from the township.

10th Circ. Says Congress Can Regulate Prairie Dog Hunting

The Tenth Circuit on Wednesday ruled that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, by way of Congress, has the right to prohibit Utah prairie dog hunting on nonfederal land in the state, reversing a lower court ruling that favored a challenge to the regulation from a property-owner rights group.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

OIG Inquiry Sends Message To Trump On Undermining ACA

An Office of Inspector General inquiry into the Trump administration's elimination of Affordable Care Act advertising underscores the political

NATO

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

National Economic Council

National Labor Relations Board

New Jersey Attorney General's Office

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

New York Attorney General's Office

New York State Department of Financial Services

North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians

Northern Cheyenne Tribe

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Pennsylvania Supreme Court

Port Authority of New York & New Jersey

Securities and Exchange Commission

U.S. Copyright Office

U.S. Department of Defense

U.S. Department of Energy

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Labor

U.S. Department of the Interior

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

U.S. Senate

risks of not steadfastly implementing the law, experts say.

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Copyright Chief Appointee Bill Clears House Hurdle

The House Judiciary Committee voted 27-1 on Wednesday to approve a bipartisan bill that would make the Register of Copyrights a presidentially appointed position, a step toward a broader initiative of modernizing the U.S. Copyright Office.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

NFL Still Wary Of Sports Betting Despite Raiders' Vegas Move

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said Tuesday that the Oakland Raiders' move to the gambling and sports betting mecca Las Vegas will not change the league's anti-gambling and anti-sports-betting policies, though he acknowledged that attitudes are changing toward gambling.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

UAW Tells Sens. To Vote 'No' On Gorsuch For Supreme Court

The president of the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America on Wednesday announced he has sent a letter to the U.S. Senate expressing strong opposition to Tenth Circuit Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court, urging lawmakers to vote no on the nomination.

HOSPITALITY

Foxwoods Developer Loses Appeal Over \$50M Pa. Casino Fee

U.S. Supreme Court
United Auburn Indian Community
United Nations

A Pennsylvania federal judge on Tuesday affirmed a bankruptcy judge's ruling that nixed a bid by the bankrupt developer of a failed Foxwoods casino project in Philadelphia to recoup a \$50 million casino licensing fee paid to the state.

EMPLOYMENT

W.Va. Gov Vetoes Troubled Right-To-Work Law Amendments

West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice vetoed a bill on Tuesday aimed at updating the state's right-to-work law that was put on hold by the state's courts, saying that the legal process should be allowed to play out and that the Legislature should focus on West Virginia's budget.

Law Bars Miami Beach Minimum Wage Hike, Judge Says

Miami Beach's proposed minimum wage increase was blocked Tuesday by a Florida state judge who determined that it violated a state law prohibiting municipalities from creating wage floors that buck the statewide rate.

DOL Fights Request To Halt Fiduciary Rule At 5th Circ.

The U.S. Department of Labor on Wednesday urged the Fifth Circuit not to halt its fiduciary rule for retirement account advisers while the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and other groups attempt to revive their challenge of the rule, saying the "extraordinary relief" is not warranted.

COMPETITION

Major Antitrust, Merger Changes Coming To Chile, Argentina

Argentina and Chile are poised to enact or implement major changes to competition policy to modernize antitrust and merger enforcement in their jurisdictions and bring them in line with countries such as Brazil and Mexico that have adopted similar reforms in recent years,

Argentine and Chilean officials said Wednesday.

LEGAL ETHICS

NYC Says Legal Defense Fund Contributions Are Gifts

Contributions to legal defense funds established by New York City public servants to offset legal costs must be considered gifts and are subject to applicable gift restrictions, according to an advisory opinion released Wednesday by the city Conflicts of Interest Board.

INSURANCE

Pa. Justices To Mull If Insurance Chief Bound By Dept. Report

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court agreed to review a ruling which found that the state's insurance commissioner was not bound to follow the recommendation of an investigation in a matter involving an insurer's decision to not renew coverage for a homeowner.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Analysis

5 Ways IPO Prospects Can Boost Cybersecurity Readiness

Cyberattacks are a big enough headache for a private company, but the risks take on new meaning for a company considering going public, where they will face far more regulatory scrutiny and risk investor backlash should their sensitive data be breached. Here are five ways IPO prospects can boost their cybersecurity readiness before catching the public's eye.

PRODUCT LIABILITY

Fla. Bill Could Increase Personal Injury Damages Awards

A bill that would expand prejudgment interest for prevailing plaintiffs mandatory in all civil suits, including personal injury and wrongful

death claims, passed favorably out of a Florida Senate committee Wednesday.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Senators Demand GAO Probe Of Work Relief Programs

Two senators on Tuesday asked the U.S. Government Accountability Office for a full evaluation of government work relief initiatives, including the often-maligned fleet of Trade Adjustment Assistance Programs.

El Salvador Wins Post-Award Interest On \$8M Costs Award

An International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes tribunal agreed Tuesday to supplement its award dismissing an OceanaGold Corp. subsidiary's claim against El Salvador over a stymied gold mining project to include post-award interest on an \$8 million costs award.

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

Senate Approves Treaty For Montenegro To Join NATO

The U.S. Senate late on Tuesday approved a treaty allowing Montenegro to join NATO, one day after lawmakers voted overwhelmingly to move toward final passage of the deal, which offers formal U.S. support for the Balkan state to join the military alliance as its 29th member.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Analysis

NTC's Role Becomes Clearer, And The Trade Bar Isn't Happy

Attorneys recently learned more about the precise role of the newly created White House National Trade Council after its director Peter Navarro attempted to put his thumb on the scale of a closely watched anti-dumping duty

review, a move that has put some on the trade bar on high alert.

TAX

Ways & Means Head Considers Changes To Border Tax Plan

House Republicans may be bending to political pressure over their most controversial proposal to revamp tax laws, with the leader of the chief tax-writing committee in the House of Representatives saying Wednesday that he is "contemplating significant modifications" to the border-adjusted tax plan.

IMMIGRATION

Immigration Bill Roundup: Changes Proposed For Work Visas

Members of the 115th Congress took action on immigration-related bills in recent days that included measures to circumvent annual caps on H-2B visas and to bar employers from shifting jobs overseas as part of the H-1B visa program.

Vt. Gov. Signs Bill To Limit Local Cooperation On Immigration

Vermont Gov. Phil Scott on Tuesday signed into law a bill to limit how local law enforcement may cooperate with federal agents on immigration matters while still complying with related federal laws.

Feds Fight Travel Ban Suit Over Updated Executive Order

The federal government urged a D.C. federal court Tuesday to reject a bid made by several Iranian groups to block President Donald Trump's second executive order creating a travel ban, arguing that the parties haven't suffered any injuries and that the order is "explicitly religion-neutral."

Ariz. County Can't Use I-9s In State Prosecutions, Judge Says

An Arizona federal judge has permanently barred the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office from using documents submitted by employees solely for use in I-9 employment authorization checks to conduct criminal prosecutions for identity theft or forgery under two state laws.

Seattle Sues Trump Over 'Sanctuary Cities' Funding Threat

The city of Seattle is the latest municipality to take aim at President Donald Trump's executive order limiting federal funds to so-called sanctuary cities, filing a lawsuit in Washington federal court Tuesday alleging the order violates the Tenth Amendment and puts as much as \$155 million of the city's federal funding at stake.

NATIVE AMERICAN

Tribe Tells Calif. High Court Gov. Can't OK Off-Res Casino

The United Auburn Indian Community has pressed California's top court to hold that the state's governor cannot give the thumbs-up to a tribe for off-reservation gambling because to do so exceeds the governor's power under the state's constitution and violates the separation of powers between government branches.

Wash. Tribes Escape Sanctions In Cigarette Sales Row

A Washington federal judge refused Wednesday to sanction attorneys for members of four Native American tribes who unsuccessfully tried to block state employees from pursuing criminal cases for the illegal sale of cigarettes on Indian land, finding that arguments made in their proposed third amended complaint weren't frivolous.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FCC To Nix Federal Lifeline Approval Process, Pai Says

The Federal Communications Commission will move to eliminate a streamlined federal approval process instituted by the last administration for companies seeking to provide new Lifeline broadband service for low-income households, and will not defend against a legal challenge to it, Chairman Ajit Pai said Wednesday.

AT&T Backs FCC To Allocate Broadband Infrastructure Funds

The U.S. Federal Communications Commission should be responsible for dispersing any new money for broadband through its Connect America Fund and Mobility Fund programs, AT&T said Wednesday, since it clearly has the expertise and tools to make sure that the funds go where broadband is most needed.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Broad Contractor Whistleblower Protections Are Here To Stay

Based on the U.S. Government Accountability Office's recent report on the Whistleblower Protections Pilot Program, it appears that many contractors may not fully understand their obligations to communicate whistleblower rights to their employees, say attorneys with Crowell & Moring LLP.

Calif. Bill Puts Employers In Middle Of Immigration Debate

It was anticipated that the California Legislature would respond to the Trump administration to address issues impacting immigrant workers. With the recent introduction of Assembly Bill 450 we now have a clear sense of what that response will look like, says Benjamin Ebbink of Fisher Phillips.

Series

Advocate For An Agency: Ex-FERC GC Cynthia Marlette

Cynthia Marlette, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's general counsel from

2001 to 2005 and from 2007 to 2009, reflects on how she addressed the job's many responsibilities, including advising the commission on laws and enforcement actions, developing policy, seeking consensus among commissioners, and overseeing defense of agency actions in court, as well as dealing with historic events like the California energy crisis.

Opinion

Delrahim: The Right Captain For The Antitrust Division

The selection of Makan Delrahim to lead the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division likely signals that there won't be a significant change in course for the crucial and nonpartisan work of the Antitrust Division. There could be no better choice for the job, says David Balto, former policy director of the Federal Trade Commission Bureau of Competition.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Analysis

4 Ways To Rise To The Top In BigLaw Without Making It Rain

Being a rainmaker is often thought of as the gold standard when it comes to "making it" in BigLaw, but experts say there are a number of ways lawyers can become highly valued partners without being stellar business generators. Here are four tips on becoming a major player without being a rainmaker.

Analysis

3 Decisions You Need To Read About Bills And Privilege

It's generally understood that the bills a lawyer sends a client are privileged communications and can't be pried open through discovery, but courts haven't always agreed with the concept. Here, we look at three recent cases showing just how far the privilege can or cannot go when it comes to legal billing.

ACC Offers Benchmarks For Law Firm Cybersecurity

The Association of Corporate Counsel on Wednesday released cybersecurity guidelines for law firms that outline the ways in which sensitive information passed to outside counsel should be handled and protected.

Plaintiffs Bar Perspective: Jonathan Gardner

For plaintiffs attorneys, it's important to have an entrepreneurial mindset and understand the business of law. Since we are contingency-based, we take on risk with every case, says Jonathan Gardner, partner at Labaton Sucharow LLP.

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Gov't Funding Bill Likely To Exclude \$33B For Defense, Wall

Congressional leaders are moving ahead with a fiscal year 2017 funding bill that is likely to exclude the White House's \$33 billion supplemental request intended for defense spending and to help build President Donald Trump's touted southern border wall project, a senior Republican lawmaker said Tuesday.

Sens. Provide Update On Russia Probe As Nunes Stands Firm

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Senate Intelligence Committee leaders sought to underscore the seriousness of their probe into Russian interference with the 2016 presidential election on Wednesday, as House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nunes, R-Calif., pinned the blame on Democrats for difficulties with his own committee's investigation, rebuffing calls to step down.

Lifting Of Federal Coal Moratorium Sparks Legal Fight

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke on Wednesday formally lifted the moratorium on the federal coal leasing program imposed last year, prompting an immediate legal challenge from environmental groups and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

Fla. House Narrowly Passes Judicial Term Limits Bill

The Florida House of Representatives narrowly passed a bill Wednesday that would place an amendment on the ballot next year to limit state appellate and Supreme Court judges to two six-year terms.

High Court Says NY Credit Card Disclosures Regulate Speech

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday asked a federal appellate court to determine whether a New York law that restricts the disclosures retailers can make to customers about credit card surcharges violated retailers' First Amendment rights, vacating the lower court's ruling that upheld the law.

FCC's Pai Seeks Internet Without 'Heavy-Handed' Regs

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai doubled down Wednesday on his theme of a new "light touch" approach that promotes investment at the FCC, advocating for an internet freer from "heavy-handed" regulation in a speech that also touted new telecom cooperation between India and the U.S.

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GWB Scandal Figures Get Prison Terms For 'Abuse Of Power'

Two former public officials convicted in the George Washington Bridge lane-closing scandal were slapped with prison terms Wednesday for what a New Jersey federal judge called ? Can outrageous display of abuse of power" driven by a culture in the state Capitol where political opponents faced retribution.

BANKING & SECURITIES

Dems Say Piwowar Overstepping Authority At SEC

Four Democratic senators asked the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's inspector general on Wednesday to investigate Acting Chair Michael Piwowar's latest actions, suggesting Piwowar may be undermining the agency's mission and exceeding his authority by directing policy changes.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

EPA Asks DC Circ. To Put Off Ruling On Clean Power Plan

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday asked the D.C. Circuit to hold off on issuing an opinion on the validity of the Clean Power Plan, following President Donald Trump's signing of an executive order directing the EPA to review the rule.

Pa. Appeals Court Limits Reach Of Gas Law's Well Fee

A Pennsylvania appeals court issued a published decision on Wednesday finding that wells that fall below a natural gas production threshold for one month out of the year can skirt paying annual impact fees assessed under state law to compensate local governments for drilling-related activities.

NY State Seeks To Quash Bid To Ax Nuke Plant Subsidies

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An attorney for New York state utility regulators on Wednesday urged a federal judge in Manhattan to reject challenges to the Empire State's plan to subsidize three struggling nuclear power plants as part of a clean-energy strategy, drawing a distinction between the plan and Maryland energy subsidies, which the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated last year.

Green Groups Say No Proof Nuke Plants Are Zero-Emission

Green groups on Tuesday told a federal judge the conclusion that nuclear power produces zero emissions when generating electricity asserted in New York's plan to subsidize three struggling nuclear power plants is flawed, saying there is no evidence supporting such an assertion.

Enviros Lose Bid To Nix NJ Permit For Road Over Park Trail

A permit granted to build a bypass road over a current park trail in Ocean County was proper, a New Jersey appeals court ruled Wednesday, finding the state's Department of Environmental Protection did not violate any regulations in granting the permit after denying earlier proposals from the township.

10th Circ. Says Congress Can Regulate Prairie Dog Hunting

The Tenth Circuit on Wednesday ruled that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, by way of Congress, has the right to prohibit Utah prairie dog hunting on nonfederal land in the state, reversing a lower court ruling that favored a challenge to the regulation from a property-owner rights group.

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

OIG Inquiry Sends Message To Trump On Undermining ACA

An Office of Inspector General inquiry into the Trump administration's elimination of Affordable Care Act advertising underscores the political

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U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Labor

U.S. Department of the Interior

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

U.S. Senate

risks of not steadfastly implementing the law, experts say.

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Copyright Chief Appointee Bill Clears House Hurdle

The House Judiciary Committee voted 27-1 on Wednesday to approve a bipartisan bill that would make the Register of Copyrights a presidentially appointed position, a step toward a broader initiative of modernizing the U.S. Copyright Office.

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

NFL Still Wary Of Sports Betting Despite Raiders' Vegas Move

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said Tuesday that the Oakland Raiders' move to the gambling and sports betting mecca Las Vegas will not change the league's anti-gambling and anti-sports-betting policies, though he acknowledged that attitudes are changing toward gambling.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

UAW Tells Sens. To Vote 'No' On Gorsuch For Supreme Court

The president of the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America on Wednesday announced he has sent a letter to the U.S. Senate expressing strong opposition to Tenth Circuit Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court, urging lawmakers to vote no on the nomination.

HOSPITALITY

Foxwoods Developer Loses Appeal Over \$50M Pa. Casino Fee

U.S. Supreme Court
United Auburn Indian Community
United Nations

A Pennsylvania federal judge on Tuesday affirmed a bankruptcy judge's ruling that nixed a bid by the bankrupt developer of a failed Foxwoods casino project in Philadelphia to recoup a \$50 million casino licensing fee paid to the state.

EMPLOYMENT

W.Va. Gov Vetoed Troubled Right-To-Work Law Amendments

West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice vetoed a bill on Tuesday aimed at updating the state's right-to-work law that was put on hold by the state's courts, saying that the legal process should be allowed to play out and that the Legislature should focus on West Virginia's budget.

Law Bars Miami Beach Minimum Wage Hike, Judge Says

Miami Beach's proposed minimum wage increase was blocked Tuesday by a Florida state judge who determined that it violated a state law prohibiting municipalities from creating wage floors that buck the statewide rate.

DOL Fights Request To Halt Fiduciary Rule At 5th Circ.

The U.S. Department of Labor on Wednesday urged the Fifth Circuit not to halt its fiduciary rule for retirement account advisers while the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and other groups attempt to revive their challenge of the rule, saying the "extraordinary relief" is not warranted.

COMPETITION

Major Antitrust, Merger Changes Coming To Chile, Argentina

Argentina and Chile are poised to enact or implement major changes to competition policy to modernize antitrust and merger enforcement in their jurisdictions and bring them in line with countries such as Brazil and Mexico that have adopted similar reforms in recent years,

Argentine and Chilean officials said Wednesday.

LEGAL ETHICS

NYC Says Legal Defense Fund Contributions Are Gifts

Contributions to legal defense funds established by New York City public servants to offset legal costs must be considered gifts and are subject to applicable gift restrictions, according to an advisory opinion released Wednesday by the city Conflicts of Interest Board.

INSURANCE

Pa. Justices To Mull If Insurance Chief Bound By Dept. Report

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court agreed to review a ruling which found that the state's insurance commissioner was not bound to follow the recommendation of an investigation in a matter involving an insurer's decision to not renew coverage for a homeowner.

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Analysis

5 Ways IPO Prospects Can Boost Cybersecurity Readiness

Cyberattacks are a big enough headache for a private company, but the risks take on new meaning for a company considering going public, where they will face far more regulatory scrutiny and risk investor backlash should their sensitive data be breached. Here are five ways IPO prospects can boost their cybersecurity readiness before catching the public's eye.

PRODUCT LIABILITY

Fla. Bill Could Increase Personal Injury Damages Awards

A bill that would expand prejudgment interest for prevailing plaintiffs mandatory in all civil suits, including personal injury and wrongful

death claims, passed favorably out of a Florida Senate committee Wednesday.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Senators Demand GAO Probe Of Work Relief Programs

Two senators on Tuesday asked the U.S. Government Accountability Office for a full evaluation of government work relief initiatives, including the often-maligned fleet of Trade Adjustment Assistance Programs.

El Salvador Wins Post-Award Interest On \$8M Costs Award

An International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes tribunal agreed Tuesday to supplement its award dismissing an OceanaGold Corp. subsidiary's claim against El Salvador over a stymied gold mining project to include post-award interest on an \$8 million costs award.

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

Senate Approves Treaty For Montenegro To Join NATO

The U.S. Senate late on Tuesday approved a treaty allowing Montenegro to join NATO, one day after lawmakers voted overwhelmingly to move toward final passage of the deal, which offers formal U.S. support for the Balkan state to join the military alliance as its 29th member.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Analysis

NTC's Role Becomes Clearer, And The Trade Bar Isn't Happy

Attorneys recently learned more about the precise role of the newly created White House National Trade Council after its director Peter Navarro attempted to put his thumb on the scale of a closely watched anti-dumping duty

review, a move that has put some on the trade bar on high alert.

TAX

Ways & Means Head Considers Changes To Border Tax Plan

House Republicans may be bending to political pressure over their most controversial proposal to revamp tax laws, with the leader of the chief tax-writing committee in the House of Representatives saying Wednesday that he is "contemplating significant modifications" to the border-adjusted tax plan.

IMMIGRATION

Immigration Bill Roundup: Changes Proposed For Work Visas

Members of the 115th Congress took action on immigration-related bills in recent days that included measures to circumvent annual caps on H-2B visas and to bar employers from shifting jobs overseas as part of the H-1B visa program.

Vt. Gov. Signs Bill To Limit Local Cooperation On Immigration

Vermont Gov. Phil Scott on Tuesday signed into law a bill to limit how local law enforcement may cooperate with federal agents on immigration matters while still complying with related federal laws.

Feds Fight Travel Ban Suit Over Updated Executive Order

The federal government urged a D.C. federal court Tuesday to reject a bid made by several Iranian groups to block President Donald Trump's second executive order creating a travel ban, arguing that the parties haven't suffered any injuries and that the order is "explicitly religion-neutral."

Ariz. County Can't Use I-9s In State Prosecutions, Judge Says

An Arizona federal judge has permanently barred the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office from using documents submitted by employees solely for use in I-9 employment authorization checks to conduct criminal prosecutions for identity theft or forgery under two state laws.

Seattle Sues Trump Over 'Sanctuary Cities' Funding Threat

The city of Seattle is the latest municipality to take aim at President Donald Trump's executive order limiting federal funds to so-called sanctuary cities, filing a lawsuit in Washington federal court Tuesday alleging the order violates the Tenth Amendment and puts as much as \$155 million of the city's federal funding at stake.

NATIVE AMERICAN

Tribe Tells Calif. High Court Gov. Can't OK Off-Res Casino

The United Auburn Indian Community has pressed California's top court to hold that the state's governor cannot give the thumbs-up to a tribe for off-reservation gambling because to do so exceeds the governor's power under the state's constitution and violates the separation of powers between government branches.

Wash. Tribes Escape Sanctions In Cigarette Sales Row

A Washington federal judge refused Wednesday to sanction attorneys for members of four Native American tribes who unsuccessfully tried to block state employees from pursuing criminal cases for the illegal sale of cigarettes on Indian land, finding that arguments made in their proposed third amended complaint weren't frivolous.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FCC To Nix Federal Lifeline Approval Process, Pai Says

The Federal Communications Commission will move to eliminate a streamlined federal approval process instituted by the last administration for companies seeking to provide new Lifeline broadband service for low-income households, and will not defend against a legal challenge to it, Chairman Ajit Pai said Wednesday.

AT&T Backs FCC To Allocate Broadband Infrastructure Funds

The U.S. Federal Communications Commission should be responsible for dispersing any new money for broadband through its Connect America Fund and Mobility Fund programs, AT&T said Wednesday, since it clearly has the expertise and tools to make sure that the funds go where broadband is most needed.

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Broad Contractor Whistleblower Protections Are Here To Stay

Based on the U.S. Government Accountability Office's recent report on the Whistleblower Protections Pilot Program, it appears that many contractors may not fully understand their obligations to communicate whistleblower rights to their employees, say attorneys with Crowell & Moring LLP.

Calif. Bill Puts Employers In Middle Of Immigration Debate

It was anticipated that the California Legislature would respond to the Trump administration to address issues impacting immigrant workers. With the recent introduction of Assembly Bill 450 we now have a clear sense of what that response will look like, says Benjamin Ebbink of Fisher Phillips.

Series

Advocate For An Agency: Ex-FERC GC Cynthia Marlette

Cynthia Marlette, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's general counsel from

2001 to 2005 and from 2007 to 2009, reflects on how she addressed the job's many responsibilities, including advising the commission on laws and enforcement actions, developing policy, seeking consensus among commissioners, and overseeing defense of agency actions in court, as well as dealing with historic events like the California energy crisis.

Opinion

Delrahim: The Right Captain For The Antitrust Division

The selection of Makan Delrahim to lead the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division likely signals that there won't be a significant change in course for the crucial and nonpartisan work of the Antitrust Division. There could be no better choice for the job, says David Balto, former policy director of the Federal Trade Commission Bureau of Competition.

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Analysis

4 Ways To Rise To The Top In BigLaw Without Making It Rain

Being a rainmaker is often thought of as the gold standard when it comes to "making it" in BigLaw, but experts say there are a number of ways lawyers can become highly valued partners without being stellar business generators. Here are four tips on becoming a major player without being a rainmaker.

Analysis

3 Decisions You Need To Read About Bills And Privilege

It's generally understood that the bills a lawyer sends a client are privileged communications and can't be pried open through discovery, but courts haven't always agreed with the concept. Here, we look at three recent cases showing just how far the privilege can or cannot go when it comes to legal billing.

ACC Offers Benchmarks For Law Firm Cybersecurity

The Association of Corporate Counsel on Wednesday released cybersecurity guidelines for law firms that outline the ways in which sensitive information passed to outside counsel should be handled and protected.

Plaintiffs Bar Perspective: Jonathan Gardner

For plaintiffs attorneys, it's important to have an entrepreneurial mindset and understand the business of law. Since we are contingency-based, we take on risk with every case, says Jonathan Gardner, partner at Labaton Sucharow LLP.

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Sons of Belial!

Who will pay me for my work?

I want to get paid for my job. I want to make more movies and animations

Do not put me any more obstacles...

Now to him who works, wages are not given as a gift, but as a debt. **Romans 4:4**

...for the laborer is worthy of his wages. **Luke 10:7**

“The laborer is worthy of his wages.” **1 Timothy 5:18**

‘You shall not oppress your neighbor, nor rob him. The wages of a hired man are not to remain with you all night until morning. **Leviticus 19:13**

Give the worker his salary before the sweat has dried on his skin. **Islam**

Articles 2, 6 and 23 The Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Article 2. Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty.

Article 6. Everyone has the right to recognition everywhere as a person before the law.

Article 23. (1) Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against unemployment.

(2) Everyone, without any discrimination, has the right to equal pay for equal work.

(3) Everyone who works has the right to just and favourable remuneration ensuring for himself and his family an existence worthy of human dignity, and supplemented, if necessary, by other means of social protection.

(4) Everyone has the right to form and to join trade unions for the protection of his interests.

Article 123, VII of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States

For equal work, equal wages must correspond

Article 28 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States

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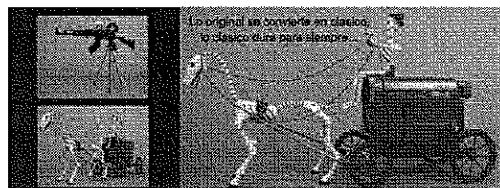
"You shall not muzzle the ox while he is threshing. **Deuteronomy 25:4**

God is not concerned about oxen, is He? Or is He speaking altogether for our sake? Yes, for our sake it was written, because the plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher to thresh in hope of sharing the crops. **1 Corinthians 9:9, 10**

Do not set up stumbling blocks on the road... **Leviticus 19:14**

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Government of the USA:

Damn gringos of shit (and Jews), Thieves!, Cheaters!, Bandits!

Sons of Belial!

Who will pay me for my work?

I want to get paid for my job. I want to make more movies and animations

Do not put me any more obstacles...

Now to him who works, wages are not given as a gift, but as a debt. **Romans 4:4**

...for the laborer is worthy of his wages. **Luke 10:7**

“The laborer is worthy of his wages.” **1 Timothy 5:18**

‘You shall not oppress your neighbor, nor rob him. The wages of a hired man are not to remain with you all night until morning. **Leviticus 19:13**

Give the worker his salary before the sweat has dried on his skin. **Islam**

Articles 2, 6 and 23 The Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Article 2. Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty.

Article 6. Everyone has the right to recognition everywhere as a person before the law.

Article 23. (1) Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against unemployment.

(2) Everyone, without any discrimination, has the right to equal pay for equal work.

(3) Everyone who works has the right to just and favourable remuneration ensuring for himself and his family an existence worthy of human dignity, and supplemented, if necessary, by other means of social protection.

(4) Everyone has the right to form and to join trade unions for the protection of his interests.

Article 123, VII of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States

For equal work, equal wages must correspond

Article 28 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States

Nor do they constitute monopolies the privileges granted for a limited period to authors and artists for the production of their works and those which, for the exclusive use of their inventions, are granted to inventors and perfectors of some improvement.

"You shall not muzzle the ox while he is threshing. **Deuteronomy 25:4**

God is not concerned about oxen, is He? Or is He speaking altogether for our sake? Yes, for our sake it was written, because the plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher to thresh in hope of sharing the crops. **1 Corinthians 9:9, 10**

Do not set up stumbling blocks on the road... **Leviticus 19:14**

God bless you

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TOP NEWS

House Passes Bill To Fund Gov't Through September

The House of Representatives passed a \$1.1 trillion spending deal to fund the government through September with bipartisan support Wednesday, sending the measure for a vote by the Senate before funding runs out on Friday. [Read more »](#)

House GOP To Push AHCA Vote Thursday

House leaders plan to hold a vote Thursday to repeal the Affordable Care Act, with further tweaks to the repeal bill announced Wednesday that add \$8 billion in federal support for new high-risk pools for people with pre-existing health conditions. [Read more »](#)

Senate Votes To Overturn Rule On State-Run Retirement Plans

The Senate on Wednesday passed a resolution to repeal a Labor Department rule that exempted states that established government-run retirement accounts for private sector employees from certain consumer protections, sending the measure to President Donald Trump. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

LAW FIRMS

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Cahill Gordon
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Clyde & Co
DLA Piper
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Dentons
Dewey & LeBoeuf
Drinker Biddle
Earthjustice
Eversheds Sutherland
Foley & Lardner
Frank L. Branson
Freshfields
Gibson Dunn
Goodwin
Gould & Ratner
Gowling WLG
Harris Wiltshire

4 Things Employers Should Know About 'Comp Time' Bill

House lawmakers on Tuesday advanced legislation that would enable U.S. businesses to give workers paid time off for overtime in lieu of cash, an option attorneys say could lower employers' overtime costs and boost employee morale, but may also open doors for wage violations and retribution claims. Here, Law360 looks at four things employers need to know about the proposed legislation as it makes its way to the Senate. [Read more »](#)

FTC Chair To Focus On Real Harms Over Speculative Ones

President Donald Trump's temporary choice to lead the Federal Trade Commission vowed to focus the agency's antitrust and consumer protection enforcement on cases in which business activity has led to actual and substantial harm, suggesting on Wednesday an end to the old days of intervening in markets based on "speculative" harms. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Hard Bargains Could Discourage New Foreign Military Sales

While the Trump administration may be more willing to consider a broader range of foreign military sales deals than its predecessor, its efforts to drive a hard bargain may also turn some potential customers off, making it uncertain whether it will top the record sales under the Obama administration. [Read more »](#)

House Passes Bills Changing FEMA Policies

The House on Tuesday and Wednesday passed several bills to change Federal Emergency Management Agency policy, ranging from giving greater power to fire contractors to a statute of limitations on emergency grant clawbacks. [Read more »](#)

Pa. Commonwealth Court Hopefuls Face Off In Philly

Herbert Smith Freehills
Hogan Lovells
Jenner & Block
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Jones Day
Jones Walker
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Kilpatrick Townsend
Kirkland & Ellis
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights
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Sullivan & Cromwell
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Vinson & Elkins
Wachtell Lipton
White & Case
WilmerHale
Wolf Rifkin
Zuckerman Spaeder

COMPANIES

Five Democratic candidates seeking election to Pennsylvania's Commonwealth Court debated current procedures but agreed on the significance of the intermediate appellate court at a forum hosted Wednesday by the Philadelphia Bar Association and judicial reform group Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Treasury GC Pick Made \$2.9M In 2016 At Sullivan & Cromwell

President Donald Trump's nominee for general counsel to the U.S. Treasury Department, Brent McIntosh, earned \$2.9 million last year from his job as a litigation attorney and co-head of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP's cybersecurity practice, a document filed recently with the federal government shows. [Read more »](#)

Split 10th Circ. Won't Rethink Ruling On SEC Judges

The Tenth Circuit on Wednesday declined to rehear its decision that in-house judges at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission are unconstitutional, but two judges fired back with an impassioned dissent that called the decision too sweeping to be left unheard by the full court. [Read more »](#)

Simpson Thacher Partner Noreika To Temporarily Lead OCC

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP partner Keith Noreika will take over the leadership at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency on an interim basis from current Comptroller Thomas Curry when he steps down on May 5, the agency announced Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

EPA Sends Waters Of US Repeal Measure To White House

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sent the first part of its plan to repeal and replace the

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AT&T Inc.
Abbott Laboratories
Air Products and Chemicals Inc.
Alion Science and Technology Corp.
American Bar Association
American Council of Life Insurers
American Immigration Lawyers Association
American Medical Association Inc.
Association of Corporate Counsel
Audi AG
BHP Billiton
BP p.l.c.
CVS Caremark Corporation
Center for Strategic and International Studies
Cetera Financial Group Inc.
Comcast Corporation
Conference of State Bank Supervisors
Delaware Riverkeeper Network
Duke Energy Corporation
Endo International Plc
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority Inc.
Financial Services Roundtable
FirstEnergy Corp
Franklin Square Capital Partners
General Dynamics Corporation
HarbourVest Partners LLC
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
JPMorgan Chase & Co.
Johnson Controls Inc.
Joy Global Inc.
LexisNexis Group
Los Angeles Lakers

controversial Clean Water Rule to the White House for review on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Dem Govs. Urge Trump To Stay In Paris Climate Agreement

A dozen Democratic governors on Wednesday called on President Donald Trump to reconfirm the United States' commitment to the Paris Agreement, saying that their states stand to bear the brunt of the environmental and health effects of climate change, as well as economic costs running in the tens of billions of dollars or more. [Read more »](#)

Enviros Say EPA Illegally Thwarting Plant Effluent Rule

Environmental groups sued the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in D.C. federal court Wednesday for agreeing to reconsider an Obama-era rule that set the first federal limits on how much toxic metal can be discharged with power plants' wastewater. [Read more »](#)

Enviros Sue To Block Trump Offshore Drilling Exec. Order

A slew of environmental organizations filed a challenge in Alaska federal court on Wednesday against part of President Donald Trump's executive order that seeks to review which areas of the Arctic and Atlantic oceans should be opened for oil and gas drilling, arguing the action is unconstitutional. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Worries Abound As FERC Quorum Shortfall Hits 3-Month Mark

Wednesday marks the three-month anniversary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission losing a quorum of commissioners, and with no nominees put forth yet by the Trump administration, there's growing concern over the agency's inability to do its job. Here, various FERC stakeholders weigh in on the agency's current, and indefinite, impotence. [Read more »](#)

Lyft Inc.

Major League Soccer LLC

Milwaukee Bucks

MoneyGram International, Inc.

National Basketball Association

National Governors Association

National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation

Natural Resources Defense Council

New Balance Inc.

Nokia Corporation

Och-Ziff Capital Management Group LLC

Office Depot Inc.

OfficeMax Incorporated

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Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc.

Parkland Health & Hospital System

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Planned Parenthood Federation

Prudential Financial Inc.

SIFMA

Scottrade Inc.

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Space Exploration Technologies Corp.

Temple University

Texas Trial Lawyers Association

The Boeing Company

Toronto-Dominion Bank

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Uber Technologies Inc.

Volkswagen

W&T Offshore, Inc.

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Bill To Appoint Copyright Chief Introduced In Senate

A bipartisan group of U.S. senators on Tuesday announced that they have filed a companion bill to legislation that would make the Register of Copyrights a presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed position, after the House passed its version of the measure at the end of April. [Read more »](#)

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

St. Pete Voters OK Stadium Measure For MLS Expansion Bid

The Tampa Bay Rowdies grabbed a victory Tuesday in the team's quest to join Major League Soccer as voters in St. Petersburg, Florida, approved a referendum to move forward with the expansion of Al Lang Stadium, a crucial piece to the club's expansion bid. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

Drivers Fight Seattle's Bid To Nix Uber, Lyft Union Law Case

A group of independent drivers have urged a Washington state federal judge not to toss their suit against the city of Seattle challenging an ordinance allowing for-hire drivers for Uber, Lyft and other ride-hailing apps to unionize, saying federal law preempts the ordinance. [Read more »](#)

Fiduciary Rule Exceeds DOL's Authority, 5th Circ. Told

Several financial industry and insurance groups told the Fifth Circuit on Tuesday that the U.S. Department of Labor exceeded its "narrow authority" and flouted longstanding distinctions between fiduciaries and salespeople in developing its fiduciary rule for retirement account advisers. [Read more »](#)

Walter Investment Management Corp

Washington Mutual Inc.

Washington Post Co.

Wells Fargo & Co.

Whole Foods Market, Inc.

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

Army Corps of Engineers

Congressional Budget Office

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Department of Commerce

Executive Office for Immigration Review

Executive Office of the President

Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Federal Communications Commission

Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Federal Trade Commission

Food and Drug Administration

Internal Revenue Service

National Economic Council

National Institutes of Health

National Labor Relations Board

National Security Agency

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Office of the Director of National Intelligence

Securities and Exchange Commission

Senate Dems Reintroduce LGBTQ Nondiscrimination Bill

Congressional Democrats on Tuesday reintroduced a comprehensive bill that would amend federal civil rights law to protect members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer communities from discrimination in areas including the workplace, public accommodations and housing. [Read more »](#)

Fla. Prosecutors Back Gov. In Fight With State Atty

Florida Gov. Rick Scott received support Wednesday in his battle with a state prosecutor he removed from 23 homicide cases from family members of the murder victims and from other state prosecutors, who said Scott was within his rights to reassign the cases after the prosecutor announced she would not seek the death penalty in a high-profile Orlando murder. [Read more »](#)

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Bulk Data Collection's End Didn't Slow NSA Down Last Year

Though prohibited from collecting domestic surveillance information in bulk under a recent law change, the National Security Agency last year still scooped up an estimated 151 million call detail records from telecoms, according to a government report released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Top GOP Lawmaker Set To Unveil DOD Acquisition Reform Bill

House Armed Services Committee Chairman Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, is set to release an updated defense acquisition reform plan later this month intended to make the U.S. Department of Defense "run more like a business," as well as revamping how it handles

Small Business Administration

U.S. Army

U.S. Copyright Office

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Defense

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Department of Labor

U.S. Department of the Interior

U.S. Department of the Treasury

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

U.S. Office of Government Ethics

U.S. Office of Personnel Management

U.S. Senate

U.S. Supreme Court

World Trade Organization

contractors' intellectual property rights, he said Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Azevedo Hails 'Most Dynamic' WTO Talks In Years

World Trade Organization Director-General Roberto Azevedo said Wednesday that the debate among members looking to craft new trade rules is more "dynamic" than it has been in years, but that there is still considerable work to be done in order to reach a deal by the end of the year. [Read more »](#)

TAX

Insurer Must Pay Tax Debt Before Policyholder: 3rd Circ.

A Third Circuit panel on Tuesday overturned a Pennsylvania district court and determined that a Pennsylvania law requiring an insurance company to pay unpaid property taxes before remitting fire insurance proceeds to a policyholder applied even if that policyholder didn't own the property. [Read more »](#)

Study Finds IRS Issued \$17B In Improper Tax Credits

The IRS has refused to adopt recommendations for assessing the risk of making improper refundable tax credits despite finding that nearly a quarter, or \$16.8 billion, of Earned Income Tax Credits never should have been doled out, according to a report released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

2 Mass. Cities Seek Pause In Sanctuary Cities Row

Two Massachusetts cities on Tuesday asked a federal court to stay their case challenging an executive order provision aimed at sanctuary cities, citing the recent nationwide injunction

handed down by a California court in a similar case. [Read more »](#)

Advocacy Group Sues DHS Over Travel Ban FOIA Requests

Muslim Advocates has filed two suits against the Department of Homeland Security over its alleged failure to respond to Freedom of Information Act requests seeking documents related to discriminatory policies the group says have been implemented against individuals from the seven Muslim-majority countries that were subject to the Trump administration's immigration ban. [Read more »](#)

Site List Revealed For Jailed Immigrant Removal Program

The American Immigration Lawyers Association published government records Tuesday showing a list of additional locations where the government may conduct in-prison deportation proceedings, identifying sites in Pennsylvania, Texas and California. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Senator Floats Broadband Access Bill Inspired By FCC Plan

Sen. Shelley Moore Capito, R-W.Va., introduced on Wednesday legislation to press forward on a broadband deployment plan first outlined by Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai, saying the Gigabit Opportunity Act will incentivize investment and clear regulatory barriers. [Read more »](#)

Rep. Pallone Says FCC Plan Would 'Sabotage' Net Neutrality

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai's proposal to roll back the 2015 Open Internet Order is an attack that supports monopolistic interests and threatens democracy, Rep. Frank Pallone, D-N.J., said Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

Senate Committee Urged To Improve Broadband Access

SpaceX encouraged the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on Wednesday to consider satellite-based broadband services as a way to improve connectivity in rural and other underserved areas. [Read more »](#)

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The House of Representatives passed a \$1.1 trillion spending deal to fund the government through September with bipartisan support Wednesday, sending the measure for a vote by the Senate before funding runs out on Friday. [Read more »](#)

House GOP To Push AHCA Vote Thursday

House leaders plan to hold a vote Thursday to repeal the Affordable Care Act, with further tweaks to the repeal bill announced Wednesday that add \$8 billion in federal support for new high-risk pools for people with pre-existing health conditions. [Read more »](#)

Senate Votes To Overturn Rule On State-Run Retirement Plans

The Senate on Wednesday passed a resolution to repeal a Labor Department rule that exempted states that established government-run retirement accounts for private sector employees from certain consumer protections, sending the measure to President Donald Trump. [Read more »](#)

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Dentons
Dewey & LeBoeuf
Drinker Biddle
Earthjustice
Eversheds Sutherland
Foley & Lardner
Frank L. Branson
Freshfields
Gibson Dunn
Goodwin
Gould & Ratner
Gowling WLG
Harris Wiltshire

4 Things Employers Should Know About 'Comp Time' Bill

House lawmakers on Tuesday advanced legislation that would enable U.S. businesses to give workers paid time off for overtime in lieu of cash, an option attorneys say could lower employers' overtime costs and boost employee morale, but may also open doors for wage violations and retribution claims. Here, Law360 looks at four things employers need to know about the proposed legislation as it makes its way to the Senate. [Read more »](#)

FTC Chair To Focus On Real Harms Over Speculative Ones

President Donald Trump's temporary choice to lead the Federal Trade Commission vowed to focus the agency's antitrust and consumer protection enforcement on cases in which business activity has led to actual and substantial harm, suggesting on Wednesday an end to the old days of intervening in markets based on "speculative" harms. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Hard Bargains Could Discourage New Foreign Military Sales

While the Trump administration may be more willing to consider a broader range of foreign military sales deals than its predecessor, its efforts to drive a hard bargain may also turn some potential customers off, making it uncertain whether it will top the record sales under the Obama administration. [Read more »](#)

House Passes Bills Changing FEMA Policies

The House on Tuesday and Wednesday passed several bills to change Federal Emergency Management Agency policy, ranging from giving greater power to fire contractors to a statute of limitations on emergency grant clawbacks. [Read more »](#)

Pa. Commonwealth Court Hopefuls Face Off In Philly

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Jenner & Block
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Jones Day
Jones Walker
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Kilpatrick Townsend
Kirkland & Ellis
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Slaughter and May
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Wachtell Lipton
White & Case
WilmerHale
Wolf Rifkin
Zuckerman Spaeder

COMPANIES

Five Democratic candidates seeking election to Pennsylvania's Commonwealth Court debated current procedures but agreed on the significance of the intermediate appellate court at a forum hosted Wednesday by the Philadelphia Bar Association and judicial reform group Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Treasury GC Pick Made \$2.9M In 2016 At Sullivan & Cromwell

President Donald Trump's nominee for general counsel to the U.S. Treasury Department, Brent McIntosh, earned \$2.9 million last year from his job as a litigation attorney and co-head of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP's cybersecurity practice, a document filed recently with the federal government shows. [Read more »](#)

Split 10th Circ. Won't Rethink Ruling On SEC Judges

The Tenth Circuit on Wednesday declined to rehear its decision that in-house judges at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission are unconstitutional, but two judges fired back with an impassioned dissent that called the decision too sweeping to be left unheard by the full court. [Read more »](#)

Simpson Thacher Partner Noreika To Temporarily Lead OCC

Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP partner Keith Noreika will take over the leadership at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency on an interim basis from current Comptroller Thomas Curry when he steps down on May 5, the agency announced Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

EPA Sends Waters Of US Repeal Measure To White House

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sent the first part of its plan to repeal and replace the

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A dozen Democratic governors on Wednesday called on President Donald Trump to reconfirm the United States' commitment to the Paris Agreement, saying that their states stand to bear the brunt of the environmental and health effects of climate change, as well as economic costs running in the tens of billions of dollars or more. [Read more »](#)

Enviros Say EPA Illegally Thwarting Plant Effluent Rule

Environmental groups sued the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in D.C. federal court Wednesday for agreeing to reconsider an Obama-era rule that set the first federal limits on how much toxic metal can be discharged with power plants' wastewater. [Read more »](#)

Enviros Sue To Block Trump Offshore Drilling Exec. Order

A slew of environmental organizations filed a challenge in Alaska federal court on Wednesday against part of President Donald Trump's executive order that seeks to review which areas of the Arctic and Atlantic oceans should be opened for oil and gas drilling, arguing the action is unconstitutional. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Worries Abound As FERC Quorum Shortfall Hits 3-Month Mark

Wednesday marks the three-month anniversary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission losing a quorum of commissioners, and with no nominees put forth yet by the Trump administration, there's growing concern over the agency's inability to do its job. Here, various FERC stakeholders weigh in on the agency's current, and indefinite, impotence. [Read more »](#)

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National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation

Natural Resources Defense Council

New Balance Inc.

Nokia Corporation

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Office Depot Inc.

OfficeMax Incorporated

OneWest Bank Group LLC

PJM Interconnection LLC

Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc.

Parkland Health & Hospital System

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Planned Parenthood Federation

Prudential Financial Inc.

SIFMA

Scottrade Inc.

Sierra Club

Space Exploration Technologies Corp.

Temple University

Texas Trial Lawyers Association

The Boeing Company

Toronto-Dominion Bank

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Uber Technologies Inc.

Volkswagen

W&T Offshore, Inc.

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Bill To Appoint Copyright Chief Introduced In Senate

A bipartisan group of U.S. senators on Tuesday announced that they have filed a companion bill to legislation that would make the Register of Copyrights a presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed position, after the House passed its version of the measure at the end of April. [Read more »](#)

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

St. Pete Voters OK Stadium Measure For MLS Expansion Bid

The Tampa Bay Rowdies grabbed a victory Tuesday in the team's quest to join Major League Soccer as voters in St. Petersburg, Florida, approved a referendum to move forward with the expansion of Al Lang Stadium, a crucial piece to the club's expansion bid. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

Drivers Fight Seattle's Bid To Nix Uber, Lyft Union Law Case

A group of independent drivers have urged a Washington state federal judge not to toss their suit against the city of Seattle challenging an ordinance allowing for-hire drivers for Uber, Lyft and other ride-hailing apps to unionize, saying federal law preempts the ordinance. [Read more »](#)

Fiduciary Rule Exceeds DOL's Authority, 5th Circ. Told

Several financial industry and insurance groups told the Fifth Circuit on Tuesday that the U.S. Department of Labor exceeded its "narrow authority" and flouted longstanding distinctions between fiduciaries and salespeople in developing its fiduciary rule for retirement account advisers. [Read more »](#)

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Washington Post Co.

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Securities and Exchange Commission

Senate Dems Reintroduce LGBTQ Nondiscrimination Bill

Congressional Democrats on Tuesday reintroduced a comprehensive bill that would amend federal civil rights law to protect members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer communities from discrimination in areas including the workplace, public accommodations and housing. [Read more »](#)

Fla. Prosecutors Back Gov. In Fight With State Atty

Florida Gov. Rick Scott received support Wednesday in his battle with a state prosecutor he removed from 23 homicide cases from family members of the murder victims and from other state prosecutors, who said Scott was within his rights to reassign the cases after the prosecutor announced she would not seek the death penalty in a high-profile Orlando murder. [Read more »](#)

PRIVACY & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Bulk Data Collection's End Didn't Slow NSA Down Last Year

Though prohibited from collecting domestic surveillance information in bulk under a recent law change, the National Security Agency last year still scooped up an estimated 151 million call detail records from telecoms, according to a government report released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Top GOP Lawmaker Set To Unveil DOD Acquisition Reform Bill

House Armed Services Committee Chairman Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, is set to release an updated defense acquisition reform plan later this month intended to make the U.S. Department of Defense "run more like a business," as well as revamping how it handles

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Azevedo Hails 'Most Dynamic' WTO Talks In Years

World Trade Organization Director-General Roberto Azevedo said Wednesday that the debate among members looking to craft new trade rules is more "dynamic" than it has been in years, but that there is still considerable work to be done in order to reach a deal by the end of the year. [Read more »](#)

TAX

Insurer Must Pay Tax Debt Before Policyholder: 3rd Circ.

A Third Circuit panel on Tuesday overturned a Pennsylvania district court and determined that a Pennsylvania law requiring an insurance company to pay unpaid property taxes before remitting fire insurance proceeds to a policyholder applied even if that policyholder didn't own the property. [Read more »](#)

Study Finds IRS Issued \$17B In Improper Tax Credits

The IRS has refused to adopt recommendations for assessing the risk of making improper refundable tax credits despite finding that nearly a quarter, or \$16.8 billion, of Earned Income Tax Credits never should have been doled out, according to a report released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

2 Mass. Cities Seek Pause In Sanctuary Cities Row

Two Massachusetts cities on Tuesday asked a federal court to stay their case challenging an executive order provision aimed at sanctuary cities, citing the recent nationwide injunction

handed down by a California court in a similar case. [Read more »](#)

Advocacy Group Sues DHS Over Travel Ban FOIA Requests

Muslim Advocates has filed two suits against the Department of Homeland Security over its alleged failure to respond to Freedom of Information Act requests seeking documents related to discriminatory policies the group says have been implemented against individuals from the seven Muslim-majority countries that were subject to the Trump administration's immigration ban. [Read more »](#)

Site List Revealed For Jailed Immigrant Removal Program

The American Immigration Lawyers Association published government records Tuesday showing a list of additional locations where the government may conduct in-prison deportation proceedings, identifying sites in Pennsylvania, Texas and California. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Senator Floats Broadband Access Bill Inspired By FCC Plan

Sen. Shelley Moore Capito, R-W.Va., introduced on Wednesday legislation to press forward on a broadband deployment plan first outlined by Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai, saying the Gigabit Opportunity Act will incentivize investment and clear regulatory barriers. [Read more »](#)

Rep. Pallone Says FCC Plan Would 'Sabotage' Net Neutrality

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House Votes To Add 4 Bankruptcy Judgeships

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill to add four bankruptcy judges to the nation's courts Wednesday, and convert several more temporary posts to permanent ones. [Read more »](#)

Judiciary Presses Congress For More Funding

The federal judiciary asked Congress on Wednesday for \$7.2 billion in discretionary funding, a 3.9 percent increase, saying the judiciary needs to preserve existing court services, ramp up cybersecurity efforts, ensure courthouse security and provide for the availability of court-appointed attorneys. [Read more »](#)

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Husch Blackwell
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Kilpatrick Townsend
Lawrence Beach
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3 Things You Should Know About The Nominee For IP Czar

President Donald Trump has nominated Vishal Amin to be the next intellectual property enforcement coordinator, a move widely cheered by those who believe his congressional relations and strong IP background would be valuable assets. Here are three things to know ahead of his confirmation hearing. [Read more »](#)

House Passes Bill To Create Gov't IT Upgrade Fund

The federal government could soon have a self-sustaining fund dedicated to replacing outdated information security and computer systems, if a bill the House of Representatives passed Wednesday becomes law. [Read more »](#)

Senate Bill Would Ease Stress Testing For Small Banks

A bipartisan Senate bill introduced Wednesday would eliminate stress testing requirements on smaller banks by lifting the threshold for mandating those tests of banks' ability to survive a crisis to \$50 billion. [Read more »](#)

Regulatory Reform Package Clears Senate Committee

The Senate Homeland Security Committee on Wednesday sent five regulatory reform bills to the full body for a vote, all of which are designed to make it harder for executive agencies to promulgate rules. [Read more »](#)

Trump Sends Senate 2 Key Tax, Economic Policy Nominees

President Donald Trump sent a slew of appointments to the Senate for confirmation on Tuesday, including formalizing his intent to nominate Goldman Sachs executive James H. Donovan and American Enterprise Institute economist Kevin A. Hassett for key roles regarding economic and tax policy. [Read more »](#)

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Okla. Lawmakers Nix 'American Rule' In Apparent Oversight

Litigants whose actions fail in Oklahoma could be on the hook to pay their opponents' attorneys' fees in all cases thanks to a dramatic and largely unintended revocation of the "American rule" stipulating that each party pay its own fees. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Analysis

SEC Chair Faces Uphill Climb In Reviving IPO Market

Newly confirmed U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Jay Clayton's efforts to make public markets more attractive are a welcome sign for capital markets attorneys, who nonetheless caution that the SEC's ability to reverse the long-term decline in initial public offerings is limited. [Read more »](#)

Bipartisan Bill Again Calls For Transparency In Settlements

Democratic U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Republican U.S. Sen. James Lankford on Tuesday reintroduced legislation requiring greater transparency of settlements companies and individuals enter into with federal agencies, including a disclosure of tax deductible amounts or other credits that affect the actual dollar figure. [Read more »](#)

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